IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-17 and rewrite as follows:

Claim 18 (new) A process for preparing a warm mix asphalt composition comprising the steps of (a) mixing a grained aggregate material with a soft bituminous binder to form a warm mix; and (b) adding to the warm mix a foamed hard bituminous binder containing 2 to 7% by mass of water and with a penetration of less than 100 DMM, measured according to ASTM D 5 at 25°C to form the warm mix asphalt composition.

Claim 19 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the soft binder has a viscosity of less than 0.3 Pa.s at 100°C, measured according to ASTM D 2171 at 100°C.

Claim 20 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the aggregate material is heated to a temperature between 60°C and 120°C before it is mixed with the soft and hard binders.

Claim 21 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the foamed hard binder is produced in a separate foaming process comprising the steps of: heating unfoamed hard binder to a temperature between 130°C and 180°C; providing water at a temperature between 5°C and 80°C; and injecting 2 to 7% by mass of water into said heated unfoamed hard binder to expand said heated unfoamed hard binder to a foam.

Claim 22 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the foamed hard bituminous binder has a water content of 5% by mass or less.

Claim 23 (new) The process according to claim 18, comprising adding the soft binder component to the aggregate material at a temperature of less than 120°C.

Claim 24 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the temperature of the warm mix asphalt composition is between 80°C and 115°C.

Claim 25 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the warm mix asphalt composition is a dense graded asphalt composition.

Claim 26 (new) The process according to claim 25, wherein the dense graded asphalt composition has void content between 2% and 10%.

Claim 27 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the warm mix asphalt composition is an open graded asphalt composition.

Claim 28 (new) The process according to claim 27, wherein the open graded asphalt composition has a void content between 14% and 25%.

Claim 29 (new) The process according to claim 18, wherein the soft binder and the aggregate material is premixed in a warm process mixing facility to form a semi-

finished product and is then transferred to an asphalt laying site where the foamed hard binder is applied to the semi-finished product in a production laying machine at the asphalt laying site.

Claim 30 (new) The warm mix asphalt composition prepared by the process according to claim 18.

Claim 31 (new) A kit for preparing the warm mix asphalt composition of claim 18, comprising grained aggregate material, a soft bituminous binder, a hard bituminous binder, a drying drum for heating and drying the grained aggregate material, a mixing mill for mixing the grained aggregate material with the soft bituminous binder and the hard bituminous binder, a mix storage silo, and foam means for foaming the hard binder before introduction to the mixing mill.

Claim 32 (new) The kit according to claim 31, wherein the foam means comprises (i) heating means for heating the hard bituminous binder and (ii) water or steam introducing means for subsequent introduction of water or steam to heated hard bituminous binder to produce a foam.

Claim 33 (new) A method for paving comprising;

(a) providing the warm asphalt composition of claim 30, and

(b) applying the warm asphalt composition to an area to be paved.

Claim 34 (new). The process according to claim 18, wherein the grained aggregate material consists essentially of sand, stone or gravel and filler.